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This is a reminder to all students that the "college" plan now used in regard to study halls is just an experiment; so if this plan is to continue throughout the year, each student must take it upon himself to either leave the building or go to the library during his free period. This isn't much to ask when you take into consideration the many advantages this plan affords the students.

BB

The girls in the Drum and Bugle are thrilled about their coming appearance on **television.** They have been practicing faithfully on a routine that they will perform at Grosse Ile, Sunday, October 1. An outstanding program is being presented by the naval base in observance of Navy Day.

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Both teams rushed on the field ready to play; the whistle blew; and then — no ball!!! This is a short description of what happened at the football game in Plymouth last Friday. The game was delayed only a few minutes though, because, as you know, Ypsi won by the score of 45-0. Keep up the good work boys!!

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We are making another appeal for students to place original "short" short stories, poems, limericks, etc. in the SEM box outside room 209. (This is a good way to get your name in the newspaper, kids!)

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Did you know that the members of the sixth hour dramatics class have quite good voices for harmony? This is what we heard after someone heard them rendering a "Happy Birthday" to both Miss Iseminger and Norma Jean Frentner.

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Congratulations are in order for the Sophomores who are the proud owners of the float that placed first in the Homecoming Parade.

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Last Tuesday Miss Iseminger's American Literature class visited Green Field Village. While the girls looked longingly at antique dishes on the display, the boys whirled by to examine the motors and planes. We also heard that the boys played bandit on the top of a horse-drawn coach — at the invitation of the driver, of course.

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Students Present Pageant of 1848

Members of the dramatic classes portray the buying of the Tecumseh Hotel for the first public high school in Ypsilanti. A few of the old families represented in the play are the Woodruffs, Norrises, Moores, and the Stucks.

Parents Enjoy Open House Festivities

Ypsilanti High School's Centennial celebration began with Open House Monday night, October 18. Teachers were in their rooms from 7:30 to 8:00 P. M. At 8:00 P. M. there was organ music in the auditorium by Mrs. Herbert Fry. The high school orchestra then played three numbers to set the mood for the following pageant.

The pageant was given by the senior dramatic classes under the direction of Miss Madge Iseminger. When the curtain opened the stage was a tableaux of the "Hawkins House", a store in Ypsilanti's early history. The scene was a striking and lifelike representation of Ypsilantians one hundred years ago. Students took the parts of people who were actually in Ypsilanti's history. They were dressed appropriately according to the date. The pageant told the story of the buying of the Tecumseh Hotel for the first public school. The Tecumseh Hotel was situated on the site of our school. The "Hawkins House" was the general meeting place in Ypsilanti at that time. The first scene was the every day picture of the people stopping by to play checkers, warm themselves by the pot-bellied stove, or just stopping in for idle talk. The second scene, which also took place at the "Hawkins House", was a town meeting, at which time the proposal to buy the Tecumseh Hotel was accepted.

After the pageant refreshments were served in the lunchroom.

Debate Squad Starts Season

Ypsilanti debaters, under the leadership of Mrs. Jack Lockwood, have begun another successful season with a series of practice debates.

The proposition for debate this year is one of international interest. Resolved: "That the United Nations should now be revised into a Federal World Government."

As a result of the great interest shown in debate, the squad personnel has been increased. The members are: Bill Hawes, Arthur Laing, seniors; Peter Fletcher, Joyce Hawks, Bonnie Martin, Nancy Marushak, Elijah Rourey, Evelyn Sipe, juniors; and Janet Bastian, Bill Beisner, sophomores.

To date the squad has participated in several practice debates. On October 12 they went to Jackson High School and on October 20, to Albion High School. Both schools were excellent hosts. Albion provided English and Social Studies classes for an audience. They met Ann Arbor October 27 and attended a tournament at Lansing October 28. The first 6B League decision debate will be held at Belleville on November 10.

"Night Club" Theme Prevails At Reception

The Sophomore Reception, which was held last Saturday evening, October 23, proved to be an outstanding success.

The gymnasium was the scene of the memorable festivities. The so-called "night club" was the theme for the decorations. Tables were situated at each end of the gym with a lighted candle in the center of each. Gayly colored balloons were hanging along the walls. The refreshments, which consisted of cider, cookies, and doughnuts were served by several ninth grade boys who acted as waiters.

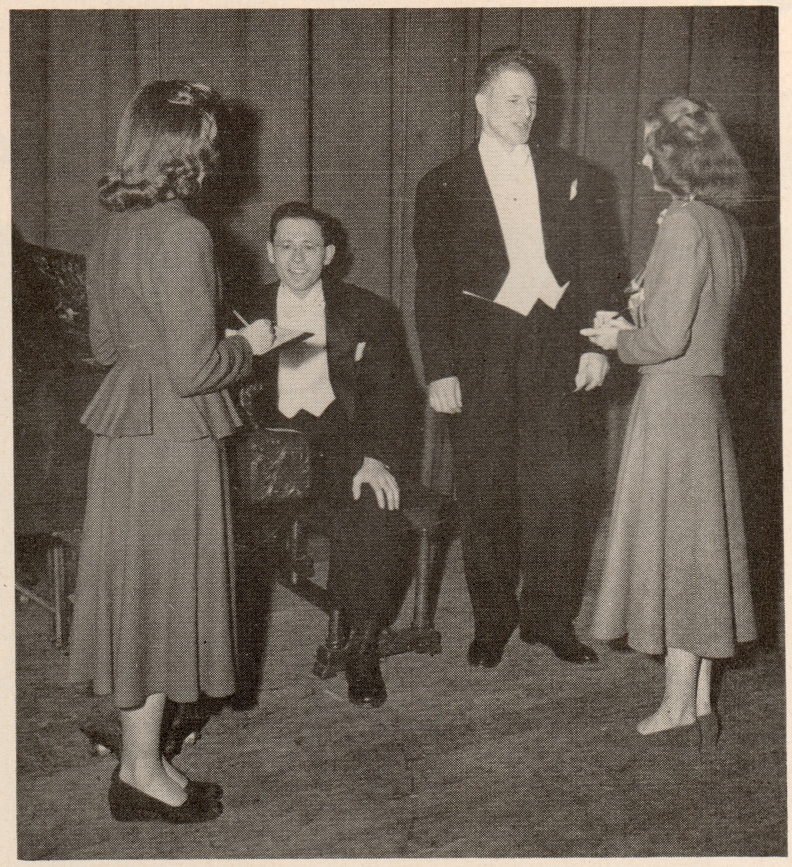
During the intermission, a floor show was presented. Jo Ann Fanslow did a ballet dance; Ann Ragan sang "Better Luck Next Time"; and Jack Frentner played "Clair de Lune", "Kitten on the Keys", and "Star Dust" on the piano. Both Jo Ann Fanslow and Ann Ragan were accompanied by Bernice Campbell.

School Assembly Marks Navy Day

Chief Warrant Officer Edward Sacks U.S.N.R. stressed the importance of the naval program in his address to the students on Wednesday morning.

Following the address, two moving pictures, "Sea Power" and "The Navy After the War", were shown.

Reporters Interview N. B. C. Artists



Left to right, Patti Wiltse, Robert Drumm, Fred Thomas and Betty Mead.

Just before the night performance of Mr. Robert Drumm and Mr. Fred Thomas we went backstage with great expectations for an interview. To our delight they pleasantly agreed to first be photographed. Then, seeing they had several more minutes before their performance, we asked them this one question, "Do you prefer a school audience such as there was today, or a radio audience?" Immediately Mr. Drumm replied that he definitely preferred the school audience because he appreciated the "personal contact". In contrast Mr. Thomas stated that he preferred radio appearances.

We found that these two artists were both fascinating and pleasant in manner. We both appreciated and enjoyed the time they gave us for this interview.

BEWARE!!

by **Bill Hawes**

Once again Halloween is here and the ghosts will be stalking the fields. Now whether these willowy demons be in fiction or in the form of YHS students remains to be seen; but if you go out for a good time remember that respect for property of others should come first.

Surely no one is going to care if you play a few rather harmless pranks that will be lots of fun as long as you do not become destructive.

Under no circumstances should anyone consider some other person's property as a playground. Treating, dances, and other Halloween parties are just the thing for good fun.

The mischief makers will undoubtedly be doing their best to make their night's entertainment a great deal of work for someone. To them, timely advice from law-enforcing officials can be given. The Ann Arbor News has already stated that police officials in Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor will be deciding when pranks become the illegal destruction of property.

Remember, Halloween is meant for fun,
Except for the time when it's overdone.

Chit-Chat

By PAT

It's a doghouse, it's a tent, no it's the Senior float!! Although the Seniors still claim it was a football they did compromise and say that it was a football after a very tough game (with the Braves winning of course).

Did you know that Dan Baughey is the great-great uncle of Mrs. Branyan, the English teacher? It's true! After seeing the pageant at open house Monday night Mrs. Branyan discovered that Dan Baughey was her great-great uncle Charlie Stuck. You keep your age well, Dan. What do you eat for breakfast?

At the game between Wayne and Ypsi, Miss Iseminger, seeing that the man next to her had a paper to sit on, decided she should have some too; so she put her plan to work. Howard Neely's touchdown and an inch of territory for Miss Iseminger. It's the half and the score is Ypsi 14, Wayne 7, and Miss Iseminger has three-fourths of the paper, the man one-fourth. Now it's the end of the game and it's a victory for the Braves **and** Miss Iseminger. The paper is won!

How Can She Win?

If a girls speaks to everyone, she is forward.
If she doesn't, she's bashful.
If she talks to boys, she's a flirt.
If she doesn't she's a high hat.
If she's smart in school, she's a highbrow.
If she isn't, she's dumb.
If she talks about others, she's catty.
If she doesn't, she's a prude.
If she goes with many, she's a pickup.
If she doesn't, she's a wall-flower.
If she's popular, she's talked about.
If she isn't, she's ignored.
If she goes steady, or has a pin, she has to.
If she doesn't, she couldn't.
If she wears a boy's ring, she took it.
If she doesn't, she couldn't.
CONFUSING, ISN'T IT?

Autumn

Mary Helen Wildman

Autumn in the sizeable cities of the Midwest is many different things to the people who live in them. To the average housewife, it is the time for making preserves and jellies for the winter months; it means football for high school and college boys, and "rake up those leaves or else, young man", to their kid brothers. It is new fall clothes for the Junior Miss and to father, the householder, it is storm window time again.

To children in the small towns and villages that dot the landscape the country over, it means toasting marshmallows in the dying embers of huge piles of leaves, drinking cider fresh from the mill, Halloween pranks and enormous Thanksgiving dinners at Grandma's. To them, the frost on the pumpkin and cold morning air are merely the start of a wonderful season and snowfights and sleighrides are still a long way off.

This Is America To Me

The high school girls with complexions fair
Sparkling eyes and long curled hair,
Their cherry lips and laughs of glee
This is America to me.

The high school boys in shirts of plaid
And flashy clothing, all that can be had,
Clean-cut boys, happy and free
This is America to me.

The football games on a cold, clear night
The challange of a game in sight,
The laughs and shouts of victory
This is America to me.

by **Jane Worley**

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"And the Goblins Will Git You If You Don't Watch Out"

There comes a time in every feature story writer's life, when what to write about puts them in a quandry. I was practically frothing at the mouth, trying to think of something to write about, when suddenly, in the most natural way, an idea hit me right on the back of the neck. The other morning while sitting at my dressing table, as I do ten hours a day, I happened to look into the mirror. My worries were over; seeing that horrible face staring back at me, made me think of Halloween, soooooooo, now if you have, shall we say, — "intestinal fortitude", to read on, you'll hear all about what goes on in the creeping darkness, on this night of nights.

First of all, if you want to be a really good kid, and have everyone admire you for your — "outstanding willpower", you'd naturally be home at ten o'clock **AND** in bed, getting that much needed beauty rest. But, if you're like the rest of us'uns, you'll probably be out 'till at least eleven or a **little** later.

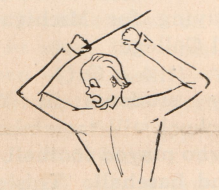
BOO!!

In the second place, rules of etiquette on Halloween, differ a little from just a plain ordinary day. Anytime, other than Halloween, when speaking of emptying the garbage, it is usually meant, that one pours the smelly stuff into a pile just outside the back door. But, on the night when witches and spooks are supposed to be running around, emptying the garbage is an entirely different thing. In this annual method, the orange peels, egg shells, etc. are more than likely to end up on somebody's front porch or on the lawn.

You all know the old saying about the second-season of the year. "In spring a young man's fancy usually turns to thoughts of love." Well, that's also the season pop gets out the lawn chairs and hammock. When fall rolls around, he tries to get them in before the fateful night. But, as people sometimes do, pop slips a little and doesn't get the stuff put away in time. The morning after, you know when, the furniture will most likely be found on the roof or in the chimney. I wonder, how in the world they got it up there!

Last but not least, the trails and tales the soap bars leave is nothing to laugh at! No one, whether he be rich or poor, can escape this lathery prank. My only advice to you is to avoid the worst, take down the screens so you won't have to poke out the pieces of soap with a pin!

Sooooo Keeds, if you feel the urge for adventure pushing **you** into tricks you **know** you should not do, — resist the temptation! Just remember the old adage, "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread".



The band did a half-time routine at the Plymouth-Ypsi game Friday night based on the Community Chest Drive which is a current theme. Some of the formations used were a large Boy Scout emblem, to indicate one of the agencies which benifits directly with the drive, and the word "GIVE" was spelled out to indicate the theme of the drive, "Give and Give Enough." They also formed a giant red feather, and when each band member had reached his place in this formation, he placed a red feather on the ground near his position. As they marched away, they left a large red feather outlined on the field. The band paid tribute to both schools by forming the school letters.

The Girls' Drum and Bugle Corps is working on the "Highland Fling" under the direction of Mr. Jimmie Hunt. No details are being released at this time and everyone will get a chance to see it at a later date.

N.B.C. Stars Entertain In Assembly Program

Two stars of N.B.C. entertained the high school with a delightful musical program. These artists, Mr. Robert Drumm, pianist, and Mr. Fred Thomas, baritone, were introduced by Mr. Fry.

Mr. Drumm, known as "The Titan of the Piano", began the program by playing the following selections: "Clair de Lune" by Debussy; "Polonaise in A Flat," and the "Revolutionary Etude" by Chopin; "Prelude" by Gershwin; and "The Fire Dance" by DeFalla.

Mr. Fred Thomas, baritone, took care of the second part of the program, and was accompanied by Mr. Drumm at the piano. Some of the selections Mr. Thomas sang were "Come to the Fair," by Martin; "Song of the Open Road," and "The Lord's Prayer" by Mallotte; "When You Walked into the Room" by Romberg; "Danny Boy," and "Irish Folk Song"; "Falling In Love With Love" by Rogers and Hart; and "The Girl That I Marry" by Berlin.

Seniors Capture Hockey Crown

Yes the battle of the hockey stick is on!

On October 6 the mighty senior girls fought a tough game with the sophomores. The score was: seniors 1, sophomores 0.

The junior girls marched on the field and overtook the ninth grade. The score meant nothing for the juniors did not have enough players; the game was forfeited.

The hockey championship was at stake on October 20, when the powerful seniors were playing against a determined ninth grade. Hockey sticks flew, and at the end the senior girls won by a score of 3 to 0.

This makes the second straight year of championship in hockey for these girls. This leaves the ninth grade in second and a tie for third place between the sophomores and juniors.

The girls hockey manager for this year is Janet Adlof.

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Inquiring Reporter

This week as your inquiring reporter I, being very curious anyway, thought it would be interesting to find out just what the students of Ypsi High do on Halloween. I hopped on my broomstick, and while riding around I asked this question: "What did you do last October 31?" These are the deep, dark secrets I uncovered!

Frances Wolter — Went to a witches' party.
Jo Ann Fanslow — Went begging. (Begging from whom I wonder.)
Dan Baughey — Got my name in the paper. (I wonder why.)
Ola James — Threw squashes on porches.
Nathan Judson — Nothing.
Betty Watling — Can't remember it was too long ago. (Short memory)
Don Wallace — Saw Ypsi's game with Ann Arbor.
Dorothy Houck — Mixed my witch's brew, and became a year older.
Betty Hoffman — Rolled stones down hills.
Russell Hines — Played with a bird bath.
Violet Borgerson — Jumped over fences. (Who were you chasing?)
Bob Fortney — Raised the devil.
Johnny Baker — Had a visit with the cops.
Donald Crittenden — Prefers to to keep it a dark secret.
Marjorie Miller — Nothing.
Shirley Daze — Went to bed and slept.
Joan Bailey — Stayed home.
Sue Van Sickle — Ha Ha!! (What could she mean by that?)

Now that we have seen what evil lurks in the halls of Ypsi High, maybe we had better bury the past, and let it remain a deep, dark secret.

CLUB NEWS

Latin Club:

The Latin Club had a business meeting Wednesday night, October 20, at 6:00 P. M. This meeting was in the form of a potluck supper. Entertainment consisted of table games. Their social committee is: Kathleen Lathers, chairman; Patricia Armstrong, Ralph Block, and Bernard Ungrodt. Their program committee is: Janet Bastian, chairman; William McAfee, Jerry Hawling, and Jane Ann Fairbanks.

Honor Society:

Although this club has had no meetings in the last two weeks, the program committee is making plans for several activities.

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The French and Spanish Clubs as yet are not underway.

Vote NO on TWO and YES on FIVE

Papa Kangaroo: "Ementrude, where is the baby?"
Mama Kangaroo: "Ohhh, I've had my pocket picked."

The Arrow Head

Braves Top 6B League

Ypsilanti won its third straight Suburban 6B Conference Football Championship by defeating Plymouth 45 to 0.

It was Ypsilanti all the way with Dave Hill starting the avalanche of touchdowns with a 69 yard sprint in the first period. Dave tallied again in the second quarter on a 45 yard sprint. The first half ended with Ypsi 13, Plymouth 0. Plymouth's offense was stopped cold. They got nowhere on the ground and gained a few useless yards through the air.

Ypsi poured it on in the second half with John "Gopher" Hill tallying twice in the third period. Dave Hill, not letting his little brother get ahead of him, intercepted a pass and rambled 18 yards for another "pointer". This ended the third period, the score board reading Ypsi 33, Plymouth 0.

In the final quarter Bob Raham scored an 8 yard run, and just before the gun Dick Roberts hit pay dirt from the 1 yard line. Joe Kersey added 3 out of the 7 extra points making it 45 to 0. The Ypsilanti line play was at its peak on both offense and defense. Time and again Hill broke away for long gains.

The Braves finished its league play with the perfect record of 5 wins against no losses this year.

Game Uncertain Until Second Half

Wayne won the toss and elected to receive; Ypsi defending the north goal. The first half was almost a draw; both teams finding each other lines strong. Dave Hill and Howard Neely worked on the ends while Schaffer hammered the middle. Finally the Braves started a drive from the Wayne 45 yard line to their two yard line, from where Neely scored. Joe Kersy made the conversion and the score was Ypsi 7, Wayne 0.

Wayne's score came in the second quarter when they took the ball on our 47 yard line and worked it over the Brave's goal line. Wayne was penalized 15 yards on the conversion and therefore had to attempt their extra point from the 25 yard line. The Wayne place kicker made a beautiful kick and the ball sailed through the uprights. Score; Ypsi 7, Wayne 7. A few more plays ended the first hard fought half.

Explosion!

Lowell Perry set the tempo of the second half by taking the kick and streaking off on a spectacular 90 yard run to score. The extra point by Kersey was good and the score board indicated that the score was; Ypsi 14, Wayne 7. This really started the Braves on the war path. Because of great defensive work by John Hill, Robert Raham, Jack Bush, and others, the Wayne ball carriers could make but little gain, while the Braves made score after score. In only 18 minutes of the second half the Braves chalked up 35 points.

These touchdowns were made by: Howard Neely (3), Dave Hill (1), John Hill (1), Harley Rutledge (1), and Lowell Perry (1). Joe Kersey had a perfect record in points, with seven out of seven.

The final score was Ypsi 49, and Wayne 7.

Cheerleaders Clamor for Extra Point

Cheerleaders Lee Wynn, Ernistine Powers, Naomi Hill, Patty Reddaway, Sue Capps, Pat Philbin, Juanita Stinedurf, Donald Thompson, Roberta Benson, and Norman Ball encouraging Braves to make extra point.

Harriers Have Close Shave

Tuesday afternoon, October 12, the Ypsi Harriers traveled to Ann Arbor to meet the best competition they have had this season.

The Ann Arbor Thinclads gave our Ypsi boys quite a scare, but they came home with a 28 to 29 victory.

It was a cool, brisk afternoon as the boys lined up at the starting post and were given the signal to go.

As the race continued, it found WYNN and BUCK in front followed close by DOLPH and Burwell of Ann Arbor.

WYNN was first to break the tape with BUCK second, Burwell third, and DOLPH fourth. The next five to finish were Ann Arbor boys followed by BAKER and WALKER.

When the score was figured up, a mistake was made and Ann Arbor was given the edge;however, the mistake was found and Ypsi was the victor. So, the Harriers are still undefeated for four years in dual competittion.

Cheerleaders Attend Redford Conference

Our cheerleading squad has been working very hard this year and has done a good job of cheerleading at our football games and pep assemblies.

There are four boys on the squad this year which add variety to the yells. The cheerleaders have been practicing on yells and formations having two new ones, "Victory" and "Fight".

The squad made a trip to Redford Union for a conference of all the cheerleaders in the 6-B league. The Redford host had a nicely planned program in which all schools discussed new yells, good sportsmanship, and acrobatics used in yells. An interesting fact is that our four boys are the only boy cheerleaders in the 6-B league, and while at the conference, they royally entertained the fifty girls present.

The cheerleaders are: Lee Wynn (Captain), Patty Reddaway, Roberta Benson, Norman Ball, Pat Philbin, Donald Thompson, Sue Capps, Juanita Stinedorf, Naomi Hill, Erestine Powers.

Y. H. S. Braves Invade A. A.

Tonight one of the biggest rivalries in high school football will come to life at Wines Field in Ann Arbor. The Ann Arbor Pioneers play host to the powerful Ypsilanti Braves. Back in 1947 the Braves defeated A. A. for the first time in 42 years. Then last year the Braves and the Pioneers drew to a 6-6 tie. Ypsi will enter tonight's game unbeaten in their last 27 ball games. Tonight's game is rated one of the top in the state. Let's everyone try to get over in Ann Arbor at Wines Field.

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Locker Room Echoes

. . . . . Britton

Jack Bush has been going to Milan so often that they are beginning to call U. S. 23, Jack Bush Lane. I wonder who Jack knows in Milan.

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While in Lansing two weeks ago some of the members of the Sem Staff saw two old graduates of Ypsilanti High School, Frank Sonoc and Bill Kesseler. Frank was captain of the football team last year and Bill played tackle. They seem to like it up at Michigan State College.

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Being sports writers we have to give a lot of credit to John Rumburger who is doing such a fine job writing for the Ann Arbor News. You might call John, Ypsi High's publicity director. John was a member of the class of "43".

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Two weeks ago we put in a paragraph about the former athletes that are still kicking the pigskin. I have been looking up some other, and will give you a couple of these in every issue.

This week's boys are Harlow Corwin and Elmer Robertson who are playing for Michigan State Normal College.

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Many students in Ypsilanti High School will remember Larry Elliot who played football, basketball, and baseball. This summer Larry moved to Florida with his parents. In Florida Larry was making a name for himself, until he recently contracted "polio". Larry's future sports career is dubious.

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I don't know how many students know this but we have two new coaches at our school. They are Bob and Dick Wagner. The twins, graduates of the Class of '47, are coaching Junior Division football and I think the boys are doing a swell job.

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Wednesday, Oct. 27 at Island Park the Highland Park Bears met the Chicago Destroyers in a benefit football game for the Girl's Drum and Bugle Corps and a new movie projector bought by the Student Council. The Bears are owned by "Blackie" and Ray Stites, former coach at MSNC. Mr. Stites is also the coach of this team. The Destroyers are a highly known semi-pro traveling team from Chicago.

FOOTBALL

Oct. 29 — Ann Arbor .... There
Nov. 5 — Milford ..... There
Nov. 12 — H. H. Lowery .. Here

CROSS COUNTRY

Oct. 29 — Redford League Meet
Nov. 2 — Hazel Park ..... ??
Nov. 6 — State Meet .... MSNC